

## Notices :

**Welcome to the Eucharist today.** We are delighted to meet visitors and newcomers after the service, when drinks will be served in the Parish Hall. Wine costs 2 euros and the coffee is free!  
**Bienvenue à Saint-Georges.** Nous vous invitons à prendre un verre de vin (2 euros) ou une tasse de café (gratuit) après la messe dans la salle paroissiale, et si vous êtes de passage dans notre église nous serons heureux de faire votre connaissance.

**Did you know** that at the AGM on 12th April Andrew Taylor is standing down as Church Warden (for health reasons) and Chude Mba is standing down as Treasurer (due to pressure of work. Is God calling you to fill one of these key roles in our common life together? Please keep the Church Council in your prayers as they search for their successors.

**A Revision of the Electoral Roll is underway.** A copy of the current Roll is on the noticeboard halfway down the stairs. Please check that you are on it and if you are not, and would like to be, there are forms to fill in on the landing table. Please complete and hand to one of the clergy. The **AGM of the Church** will take place on Sunday, 12th April immediately after the 1030 Eucharist. The notices are on the noticeboard halfway down the stairs. Please consider signing up if you would like to be elected to the Church Council but do remember that you must be on the Electoral Roll in order to do so.

### Keeping Lent 2026:

**Lenten 'Spiritual MOT' - un contrôle technique spirituel pour Carême!** Is a chance to talk to any one of a team of experienced male or female, lay and ordained companions here at St George's about your prayer life—what goes on for you with God. Simply email your choice to make an appointment : you can contact the Rev'd Sara: macvanesara@gmail.com ; Fr Grant: wenlockholmes@gmail.com; Fr Jeffrey: drjphjohn@gmail.com; Fr Mark : chaplain@stgeorgesparis.org ; Fr Nicolas: rev.n.razafindratsima@gmail.com ; Sonia Taylor: soniataylor146@gmail.com

**Stations of the Cross** by Zoom every Friday at 1900h for approximately 40 minutes. Please email Fr Mark for a Zoom link on chaplain@stgeorgesparis.org

**Lent Course : The Seven Deadly Sins** Four sessions by Zoom on Tuesdays at 7.30 pm on Pride, Avarice and Envy, Lust and Gluttony and finally Anger and Sloth (Feb 24, March 3, March 10 and March 17). To take part please contact Fr Jeffrey by e mail at drjphjohn@gmail.com to receive a link to join before each session.

**In Your Prayers please remember those on our sick-list:** Beryl Bateman, Pamela Bruetsch, Jean-Paul Buffet, Ginette Barbé, Angela Casone, Tim Clarke, Anne Cozic, Jeanine & Caroline Cullinan, Huy Sun (Dara), Deidre Dalton, Gregor Dallas, Chris Defrasne, Anne Gould, Ophélie Goubault, Karen Griggs, Vaughan Hart, Irene Hicks, Sally Hughes, Ernest Jeyam, Kalvinder, Karen, Prudence Kupka, Muriel Lamoureux, Hans Mayer, Jane Maurin, Monique Moron, Kenneth Nyakana, John & Yvonne Rogers, David Sweeney, Émile Vaillant, David Wetsel, Anitha Yannick, Lucas, Margo, Alex and Max, Sarah, Laurence, Marie-Thérèse, Susan, David, Paul, Saul. **Those who have died:** Malcolm Johnson, priest, Andrew Watson, bishop.

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# St George's Paris

## 4th Sunday of Lent—Mothering Sunday: 15th March 2026

A warm welcome to St George's worship—online or in person. Everything you need for today's service you'll find in this pamphlet—**please note the seasonal changes.** Today the choir sings the **Communion Service in E** by Harold Darke (1888-1976) the Communion motet will be **Ave Maris Stella**, op.2 N°3, by Edward Elgar (1857-1934). The voluntary will be the **Prélude in C** BWV 547 by J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

Sunday 15th	<b>Fourth Sunday of Lent—Mothering Sunday</b> 0830 Holy Communion Cel: JJ 1030 Solemn Eucharist Cel: MO Pr JJ 1630 Messe Malgache Cel: NR Pr NR
Monday 16th	<i>Lenten Feria</i> 1800/1830 Evensong & Eucharist
Tuesday 17th	<i>Patrick, patron of Ireland</i> 0915 Morning Prayer 1800/1830 Evensong & Eucharist
Wednesday 18th	<i>Cyril of Jerusalem, Teacher of the Faith</i> 1200 Eucharist 1800/1815 Evensong & Adoration
Thursday 19th	<i>Joseph of Nazareth, foster father of Our Lord Jesus Christ</i> 0915 Morning Prayer 1800/1830 Evensong & Eucharist
Friday 20th	<i>Cuthbert of Lindesfarne</i> 1800/1830 Evensong & Eucharist
Saturday 21st	<i>Lenten Feria</i> 1200 Eucharist 1800 l'eucharistie en français Cel: MO Pr MO
Sunday 22nd	<b>Fifth Sunday of Lent—Passion Sunday</b> 0830 Holy Communion Cel: MO 1030 Solemn Eucharist Cel: JJ Pr MO

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## The Gathering

*As the bell rings, we stand to sing the first hymn (REH 528):*

**Now thank we all our God, With heart and hands and voices,  
Who wondrous things hath done, In whom his world rejoices;  
Who from our mother's arms Hath blessed us on our way  
With countless gifts of love, And still is ours today.**

**O may this bounteous God Through all our life be near us,  
With ever joyful hearts And blessed peace to cheer us;  
And keep us in his grace, And guide us when perplexed,  
And free us from all ills In this world and the next.**

**All praise and thanks to God The Father now be given,  
The Son, and him who reigns With them in highest heaven,  
The one eternal God, Whom earth and heaven adore,  
For thus it was, is now, And shall be evermore.**

### Greeting

+ In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.  
**Amen.**

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you  
**and also with you.**

*The celebration is introduced and we are invited to remember and confess our sins in preparation for our celebration together.*

**Lord God, we have sinned against you; we have done evil in your sight.  
We are sorry and repent. Have mercy on us according to your love.  
Wash away our wrongdoing and cleanse us from our sin.  
Renew a right spirit within us and restore to us the joy of your salvation;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison.*

### Opening Prayer

God of compassion, whose Son Jesus Christ, the child of Mary, shared the life of a home in Nazareth, and on the cross drew the whole human family to himself: strengthen us in our daily living that in joy and in sorrow we may know the power of your presence to bind together and to heal; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

## The Liturgy of the Word

*Sunday School now leave for their activities in the Club Room.*

### First Reading: Exodus 2:1-10

Now a man from the house of Levi went and married a Levite woman. The woman conceived and bore a son; and when she saw that he was a fine baby, she hid him for three months. When she could hide him no longer she got a papyrus basket for him, and plastered it with bitumen and pitch; she put the child in it and placed it among the reeds on the bank of the river. His sister stood at a distance, to see what would happen to him. The daughter of Pharaoh came down to bathe at the river, while her attendants walked beside the river. She saw the basket among the reeds and sent her maid to bring it. When she opened it, she saw the child. He was crying, and she took pity on him. 'This

**Be there at our sleeping, and give us, we pray,  
Your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.**

*After the Blessing and Dismissal the clergy and servers leave in the silence.*

### Blessing and Dismissal

The Lord be with you  
**and also with you.**

May God, who gave birth to all creation, bless you:  
may God, who became incarnate by an earthly mother, bless you:  
may God, who broods as a mother over her children, bless you.  
May almighty God bless you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, now and for ever.  
**Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
**In the name of Christ. Amen.**

## Breaking of the Bread

Every time we eat this bread and drink this cup  
**we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.**

As we prepare for Holy Communion the choir sings the **Agnus Dei.**

*O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.  
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.  
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.*

## Invitation to Communion

Behold the Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world.  
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.  
**Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,  
but only say the word, and my soul shall be healed.**

All are welcome to receive Holy Communion if you do so in your own church. If you would prefer, please come forward and bow your head for a blessing. **Please do not intinct—it is forbidden by our bishops and dangerous for coeliacs.** Please follow the directions of the Sides-people. If you are watching online or don't want to receive Holy Communion, you may like to use the following prayer:

*My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Blessed Sacrament,  
I love you above all things and I desire you in my soul.  
Since I cannot receive you now sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my soul.  
As though you were already there I embrace you and unite myself wholly to you;  
permit not that I should ever be separated from you. Amen.*

## Post Communion Prayer

Loving God, as a mother feeds her children at the breast, you feed us in this sacrament with the food and drink of eternal life: help us who have tasted your goodness to grow in grace within the household of faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Please be seated for the notices and **The Blessing of Flowers** after which we sing the final hymn (REH 516).

**Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy,  
Whose trust, ever child-like, no cares could destroy,  
Be there at our waking, and give us, we pray,  
Your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.**

**Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith,  
Whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe,  
Be there at our labours, and give us, we pray,  
Your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.**

**Lord of all kindness, Lord of all grace,  
Your hands swift to welcome, your arms to embrace,  
Be there at our homing, and give us, we pray,  
Your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.**

**Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm,  
Whose voice is contentment, whose presence is balm,**

must be one of the Hebrews' children,' she said. Then his sister said to Pharaoh's daughter, 'Shall I go and get you a nurse from the Hebrew women to nurse the child for you?' Pharaoh's daughter said to her, 'Yes.' So the girl went and called the child's mother. Pharaoh's daughter said to her, 'Take this child and nurse it for me, and I will give you your wages.' So the woman took the child and nursed it. When the child grew up, she brought him to Pharaoh's daughter, and she took him as her son. She named him Moses, 'because', she said, 'I drew him out of the water.'

Please remain seated for the choir to sing the psalm appointed for the day (Ps. 34:11-20)

*Come, ye children, and hearken unto me \* I will teach you the fear of the Lord. What man is he that lusteth to live \* and would fain see good days? Keep thy tongue from evil \* and thy lips, that they speak no guile. Eschew evil, and do good \* seek peace, and ensue it. The eyes of the Lord are over the righteous \* and his ears are open unto their prayers. The countenance of the Lord is against them that do evil \* to root out the remembrance of them from the earth. The righteous cry, and the Lord heareth them \* and delivereth them out of all their troubles. The Lord is nigh unto them that are of a contrite heart \* and will save such as be of an humble spirit. Great are the troubles of the righteous \* but the Lord delivereth him out of all. He keepeth all his bones \* so that not one of them is broken.*

## Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 1:3-7

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and the God of all consolation, who consoles us in all our affliction, so that we may be able to console those who are in any affliction with the consolation with which we ourselves are consoled by God. For just as the sufferings of Christ are abundant for us, so also our consolation is abundant through Christ. If we are being afflicted, it is for your consolation and salvation; if we are being consoled, it is for your consolation, which you experience when you patiently endure the same sufferings that we are also suffering. Our hope for you is unshaken; for we know that as you share in our sufferings, so also you share in our consolation.

Please stand for the gradual hymn (REH 378).

**For the beauty of the earth, For the glory of the skies,  
For the love which from our birth Over and around us lies:  
Lord of all to thee we raise This our sacrifice of praise.**

**For the beauty of each hour, Of the day and of the night,  
Hill and vale, and tree and flower, Sun and moon, and stars of light:**

**For the joy of ear and eye; For the ear and brain's delight,  
For the mystic harmony Linking sense to sound and sight:**

**For the joy of human love, Brother, sister, parent, child,  
Friends on earth and friends above, For all gentle thoughts and mild:**

**For each perfect gift of thine, To our race so freely given,  
Graces human and divine, flowers of earth and buds of heaven.**

**For thy Church, that evermore Lifteth holy hands above,  
Offering up on every shore This pure sacrifice of love.**

## Holy Gospel: John 19. 25b-27

Meanwhile, standing near the cross of Jesus were his mother, and his mother's sister,

Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing beside her, he said to his mother, 'Woman, here is your son.' Then he said to the disciple, 'Here is your mother.' And from that hour the disciple took her into his own home.

*We stand to sing the Profession of Faith.*

*We believe in one God the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible;*

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made, who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man. and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried, and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead, whose kingdom shall have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceedeth from the Father [and the Son], who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, who spake by the prophets.**

**And I believe one holy catholic and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins. And I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

### Creed

### Intercessions

*We remain standing to prayer together. At the end of each petition this response is used*

Loving God: **we give you thanks.**

*After a pause for silent prayer, we conclude*

Merciful Father, **accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

### The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The peace of the Lord be with you  
**and also with you.**

*Please stand for the hymn at the Preparation of the Table (REH 181) During this hymn a collection will be taken—you may like to use your debit card and give electronically?*

### Peace

**Come down, O Love divine, Seek thou this soul of mine,  
And visit it with thine own ardour glowing;  
O Comforter, draw near, Within my heart appear,  
And kindle it, thy holy flame bestowing.**

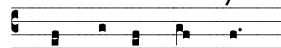
**O let it freely burn, Till earthly passions turn  
To dust and ashes in its heat consuming;  
And let thy glorious light Shine ever on my sight,  
And clothe me round, the while my path illuming.**

**Let holy charity Mine outward vesture be,  
And lowliness become my inner clothing;  
True lowliness of heart, Which takes the humbler part,  
And o'er its own shortcomings weeps with loathing:**

**And so the yearning strong, With which the soul will long,  
Shall far outpass the power of human telling;  
For none can guess its grace, Till he become the place  
Wherein the Holy Spirit makes his dwelling.**

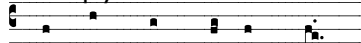
### Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you



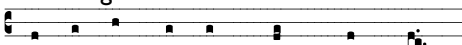
and al-so with you.

Lift up your hearts.



**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



**It is right to give thanks and praise.**

*The celebrant praises God for his mighty acts in the Preface and the choirs sing the **Sanctus** and **Benedictus**.*

*Holy, holy, holy Lord God of hosts, heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to Thee, O Lord most high. Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.*

*The prayer continues until the Proclamation of Faith*

Jesus Christ is Lord:

**Lord, by your cross and resurrection you have set us free.  
You are the Saviour of the world.**

*At the end of the prayer we all respond **Amen**. We remain standing to pray together*

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come;  
thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For thine is the  
kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**